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## The Great Depression: America's Struggle in the 1930s

### Short Answer Key

1. The stock market crash on Black Tuesday marked the beginning of the Great Depression by triggering a panic, widespread selling of stocks, and a collapse of stock prices, causing financial devastation for many.
2. The Dust Bowl exacerbated economic challenges during the Great Depression by causing severe drought and dust storms in the Midwest, leading to crop failures and forcing many farmers to leave their land.
3. The main objectives of the New Deal programs were to provide relief to those in need, promote economic recovery, and implement reforms to prevent future economic crises.
4. World War II stimulated the U.S. economy during the Great Depression by increasing employment and economic growth through wartime production.
5. The Great Depression left a lasting legacy by reshaping attitudes toward government intervention in the economy and emphasizing the importance of financial regulation to prevent economic crises.

